

BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND COMMUNITY BOARD #3

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

September 25, 2018

The next monthly General Board Meeting of Staten Island Community Board #3 will be held on Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018 at the **WOODROW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HALL**, 1075 Woodrow Road, Staten Island, N.Y. 10312 at 7:30 p.m. The full calendar of meetings and agendas can be viewed at www.nyc.gov/sicb3.

The Agenda for the General Board Meeting will be as follows:

- 1. Attendance
- 2. Community Contact Session
- 3. Minutes
- 4. Officer's Reports

Chairman of the Board

1st Vice Chairman

2nd Vice Chairman

3rd Vice Chairman

Treasurer

Treasurer

Secretary

Frank Morano

Thomas Barlotta

Jerome Goldman

Owen Reiter

Diane Peruggia

Frank Contrera

5. District Manager's Report

Charlene Wagner

6. Committee Reports

Budget Danny Venuto
Ethics, Rules, Bylaws & Regulations Frank Contrera
Land Use, Planning and Zoning Thomas Barlotta
Parks & Environmental Albert Klingele
Quality of Life Harold Kozak
Traffic and Transportation Frank Contrera
NYPD Precinct Council Meetings Owen Reiter

- 7. Old Business
- 8. New Business
- 9. Adjournment

Please note: All Committee Chairmen MUST submit written reports at least one week prior to the regular Board Meeting. If you are unable to attend a Committee meeting or General Board meeting, please notify the District Manager or Chairman at (718) 356-7900 or email swertheim@cb.nyc.gov

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Barlotta, Thomas Catania, Phyllis Contrera, Frank Conway, Patricia DeRosa, Frank DiPilato, Michael Donahue, Patrick

Donohue, John Farag, Sherif

Felicetti, John

Geary, Jeffrey

Goldman, Jerome

Iervasi, Celia

Klingele, Albert

Kozak, Harold

Kump, Robert

Lauria, Verna

McKeon, Dennis

Molino, Vincent

Napoli, Helen

Nigro, Nicole

Peruggia, Diane

Pistilli, James

Poznanski, Andrew

Reiter, Owen

Riccardelli, Anthony

Rosenfeld, Wayne

Valentino, Michael

Venuto, Danny

Members Absent or Excused

Ajello, Daniel Bara, Louis Cassese, John DiGennaro, Robert Morano, Frank Petrov, Mikhail Romano, Nicole Sansone, Maribel Shultz, John

Community Board Staff Present:

Charlene Wagner, District Manager Susan LaForgia, Community Coordinator Stacey Wertheim, Community Coordinator

Guests:

Andrew Crawford, Director of Community Partnerships Unit for the District Attorney Richmond County Ryan Murphy, District Attorney Richmond County

Anthony Reinhart, Deputy Chief of Staff, New York State Senator Andrew J. Lanza

Ralph Porzio, representing Senator Anthony J. Lanza

Nicole Malliotakis, NY State Assemblywoman

Angela Olsen, representing New York State Assemblywoman Nicole Malliotakis

Ron Castorina, NY State Assemblyman

Chris Sambator, representing New York State Assemblyman Ron Castorina

Francine Capelli, representing Councilman Steven Matteo

Michael Strasburg, representing Councilman Joseph Borelli

Donald DeRosa, NYC Comptroller Office

Anthony Catalano, Commissioner, Richmond County Public Administrator

Joan Cusack, Executive Director NYC Human Resources Administration

Olivia Sullivan, Staten Island Office of City Planning

George Tadorovic, Staten Island Office of City Planning

Joseph Homsey, NYC Department of Parks and Recreation

Colin Vautrinot, New York Public Library, Tottenville Branch

Samuel B. Cottes Jr., Staten Island Vet Center, Outreach Specialist

RJ Larson, DeMolay, Staten Island Chapter

George Kaufer, area resident

PUBLIC CONTACT SESSION

Richmond County Public Administrator

Commissioner Anthony Catalano

- The Public Administrator administers estates of deceased persons. There is a Public Administrator in every county in the City of New York. The Public Administrator's primary duty is to administer estates that would otherwise remain un-administered; to protect the decedent's property from waste, loss, or theft; to make appropriate burial arrangements when no close relative is available to make the decisions; to conduct thorough investigations to discover all assets; to liquidate assets at public sale or distribute assets to heirs; to pay the decedent's bills and taxes; and to locate persons entitled to inherit from the estate and ensure that the legal distributes receive their inheritance.
- Commissioner Catalano pledges that no Staten Island resident whose estate is being administered by the public administrator will be consigned to a mass grave at New York City Potters Field on Hart Island. He seeks to have these "unremembered" dead be afforded a dignified burial on Staten Island and the cemetery that can actually be visited by the public, in an accurately recorded gravesite location.

New York State Assemblyman

Assemblyman Ron Castorina

- Obtained grant money for the purchase of a "Gator" vehicle for NYPD 123rd precinct. This type of vehicle can travel on beaches and rocky terrains.
- Capital funding was secured for renovations to the NYPD 123rd precinct.
- Will work with the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery (GOSR) to secure funding for the beautification of storm ravaged beaches.

<u>DeMolay - Staten Island Chapter</u>

RJ Larson, representative

- DeMolay is the largest fraternal organization of young men in the world. It is an association of young men 12 to 21 years of age who are seeking to better themselves by learning leadership skills and practicing civic responsibility.
- The organization assists young men in growing into responsible adults with good moral character and provides them with a place to go, have fun, companionship, be accepted by peers, and develop social skills.

Staten Island Vet Center - U.S. Department of Veterans Services

Samuel B. Cottes Jr., Outreach Specialist

• Services offered are; combat mental health, family counseling, and readjustment counseling.

New York City Public Library - Tottenville Branch

Colin Vautrinot, Acting Manager

- September 29th, 2018 Read to our therapy dog, Laddie Boy (*Tottenville Library*)
- September 29th, 2018 Back to School Open House (*Tottenville Library*)
- October 16th, 2018 Community Conversations, Staten Island Immigrant Experience (10/16/18 St. George Library Center, 11/1/18 New Dorp Library)
- October 27th, 2018 Staten Island History Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (*Richmondtown Library*)

New York State Assemblywoman

Nicole Malliotakis

- The Property Tax Commission was developed to make recommendations to reform the City's property tax system. The goal: to make if fairer, simpler and more transparent, while ensuring that there's no reduction in revenue used to fund essential city services.
- Public hearing will be held on September 27, 2018 at 6:30pm at Public School 58 Auditorium.

Area Resident

• Expressed concerns regarding the new MTA Express Bus Redesign.

MINUTES

MOTION: by Jerome Goldman "to accept the General Board Minutes of June 26th, 2018"

SECOND: Albert Klingele

VOTE: 29-0-0 **MOTION:** PASSED

Chairman's Report - Frank Morano

No Report

1st Vice Chairperson – Thomas Barlotta

No Report

2nd Vice Chairperson – Jerome Goldman

• September 5th 2018 - Attended Borough Board meeting.

3rd Vice Chairperson – Owen Reiter

• September 8th, 2018 - Attended a meeting chaired by Dr. Maria P. Fernandez of Columbia University who is conducting tick research on Staten Island.

Secretary - Frank Contrera

No Report

Treasurer – Diane Peruggia

Fiscal Year 2019 is July 1, 2018 through June 30th, 2019

• Beginning balance for fiscal year 2018 is \$10,513.00

<u>District Manager's Report</u> – Charlene Wagner

No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET – Danny Venuto

No Report

ETHICS, RULES & BY-LAWS - Frank Contrera

No Report

LAND USE – Thomas Barlotta

Self-Explanatory

BSA 2018-129-A, 484F Sharrotts Road

Application for a waiver of GCL36 to construct a 2-story horizontal and vertical addition to an existing automotive repair building. They intend to add approximately 5,000 sq. ft. to the left side of the building. FDNY has designated areas for no parking. There are no sewers; there is an existing septic system. No wetlands issue, no drainage issue. There are existing utilities and natural gas. The building will be used for automotive repair.

MOTION: by Thomas Barlotta "accept the application as presented"

SECOND: Helen Napoli

VOTE: 27-2-0 **MOTION**: PASSED

CEQR No. 18 DCP128R, 2420 Arthur Kill Road

Application to authorize the modification of group parking facility, certification of tree preservation and chair certification of cross access connections to facilitate the completion of a 23,625 sq. ft. office and warehouse building in a M2-1 district in the SSRDD.

MOTION: by Thomas Barlotta "accept the application as presented"

SECOND: Phyllis Catania

VOTE: 29-0-0 MOTION: PASSED

BSA 2018-97-A, 50 Storer Avenue

Application for a waiver of GCL36 for construction of one new building with 3 garage doors. The site is 7,951 sq. ft. The building is less than 5,000 sq. ft. and will be used for contractors' equipment storage. There will be one 16" curb cut and parking for 5 cars. The building is fully sprinklered. A septic system will be built to comply with DOH standards. Storer Avenue is 50 feet wide, has a water main and has a CCO dated 1991.

MOTION: by Thomas Barlotta "accept the application as presented"

SECOND: Harold Kozak

VOTE: 29-0-0 **MOTION**: PASSED

DDC/DSNY - Staten Island 1 & 3 Garage and Rehabilitation of the Borough Repair Shop

The project consists of the renovation of the existing Garage 3 building at 1000 West Service Road. The project consists of a roof replacement along with a full HVAC upgrade. This building consists of a one story garage, two-story administration section, and borough repair shop. There will be photovoltaic panels installed on the roof.

MOTION: by Thomas Barlotta "To accept the application as presented"

DISCUSSION: Board member Jeffrey Geary raised a question of uncertainty with regard to the

stating of motions in the minutes for a vote that was taken at the June 13, 2018 Land Use Meeting. (*Re-location and combined DDC/DSNY - Staten Island 1 &*

3 Garage and Rehabilitation of the Borough Repair Shop)

No discussion initiated on the current application.

SECOND: Danny Venuto

VOTE: 29-0-0 MOTION: PASSED

CEQR No. 19DPR002R - Addition to Olmsted-Beil House Park, 4485 Hylan Boulevard. The NYC Department of Parks and Recreation proposes the site selection and acquisition of privately owned parcels, Block 5378, Lots 80 and 99 for a park addition to the Olmsted-Beil House Park.

STATEMENT

New York State Senator Andrew Lanza

Anthony Reinhart, Deputy Chief of Staff, New York State Senator Andrew J. Lanza

• The NYC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) propose the site selection and acquisition of privately owned parcels, Block 5378, Lots 80 and 99 for a park addition to the Olmsted-Beil House Park. Tina Kaasman-Dunn currently owns the property. When Senator Lanza was in City Council (2006), he secured funds to purchase and preserve the Olmsted-Beil House. The existing park property lacks access and space for parking and programming. Total area is 1.19 acres. Senator Lanza had hoped to acquire the additional adjacent property to be able to provide access to the House from Hylan Boulevard. In an effort to prevent development of the land, Tina and her brothers approached Senator Lanza and offered him the sale of the property. In 2017 Senator Lanza secured funds for the acquisition in the form of a State Grant which he will transfer to DPR so that they can purchase the property. Lot 80 includes a house and lot 99 is vacant. Presently, a "Friends of Olmsted-Beil House" group is forming to help preserve this park.

MOTION: by Thomas Barlotta "accept the application as presented"

DISCUSSION: Board member Jeffrey Geary stated that according to legislation passed in 2005, the

NYC DPR is in violation of landmarks rules and regulations specifically sections 25, 311, 301, and 304. Property would need to have a dedicated caretaker so the building does not fall into disrepair. Having spoken to Anthony Reinhart from Senator Andrew Lanza's office, Jeffrey was reassured that this will not happen.

SECOND: Danny Venuto

VOTE: 29-0-0 MOTION: PASSED Community Board 3 Land Use Committee Minutes September 25, 2018

PARKS & RECREATION & Environmental – Albert Klingele

Self-Explanatory

NYC Department of Parks and Recreation presented the revised design for Crescent Beach Park.

A nearby sewer project resulted in the removal of a neighborhood tot lot. The playground was located at the foot of Armstrong Avenue and area residents have been requesting a replacement for years. Estimated completion is Spring/Summer of 2020

MOTION: by Albert Klingele "Provide a letter of support for this project"

SECOND: Frank Contrera

VOTE: 29-0-0 **MOTION:** PASSED

QUALITY OF LIFE – Harold Kozak

Self-Explanatory

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION - Frank Contrera

Self-Explanatory

POLICE COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORTS - Owen Reiter

Self-Explanatory

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

September 27th 2018 - New York City Charter Commission 2019 meeting.

- Wayne Rosenfeld was in attendance speaking on his own behalf.
- In regards to the Community Board section of the 2018 Charter Revision Commission Resolution of August 6, 2018 a proposal will be placed before the voters at the general election to be held on November 6th, 2018 and if adopted:
 - ✓ Provide a limit of four consecutive full two-year terms for community board members.
 - ✓ Establish that the four-term limit would be effective for appointments or reappointments beginning on or after April 1st 2019.
 - Establish that community board members who had previously serviced for four consecutive terms are not barred from reappointment after one full term out of office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

District Attorney Richmond County

Andrew Crawford, Director of Community Partnerships Unit

- 2nd Annual "Protecting Our Pets" Calendar Photo Contest submissions due by October 1, 2018.
- Office of the Richmond Count District Attorney 2017 Annual Report is available.
- Richmond County District Attorney Michael McMahon has announced the formation of an Animal Cruelty Prosecution Unit in Staten Island. The Richmond County Animal Cruelty Prosecution Unit's stated purpose is to investigate and prosecute crimes against animals, increase awareness of animal abuse, educate the community about available resources that could prevent neglect, abuse and injury to animals, and develop and facilitate relationships with Staten Islanders and local veterinarians to encourage the reporting of animal abuse.

Where to Turn

Dennis McKeon, Executive Director

• Toy collection underway for victims of Hurricane Florence.

NYC City Planning

• October 3 2018 - Staten Island Special Districts Open House.

Senator Andrew Lanza

• October 19, 2018 - Annual Senior Information Day at CYO Mt. Loretto.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Thomas Barlotta

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Contrera

Frank Contrera, Secretary